

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

FEBRUARY 23, 1860.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. THOMSON made the following

REPORT.

[To accompany Joint Resolution S. 15.]

*The Committee on Naval Affairs, to whom was referred the petition of John C. Carter, a lieutenant in the navy, having had the same under consideration, beg leave to report:*

That by joint resolution approved February 13, 1855, it was resolved "That in the settlement of his accounts, Lieutenant John C. Carter shall be allowed such expenses as were incurred by him whilst acting as purser on board the ship Massachusetts, undergoing repairs at San Francisco, California: *Provided*, The amount shall not exceed the sum of one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine dollars and five cents," (\$1,869 05.) That in the settlement of his accounts, the accounting officers of the treasury allowed to Lieutenant Carter only the expenses incurred by him whilst the Massachusetts was actually undergoing repairs, viz: \$913 69—leaving a balance of \$955 36 of the amount specified in the resolution unpaid, which latter amount was incurred for extraordinary expenses growing out of his acting pursership of the Massachusetts, and was intended by the committee reporting the resolution to be covered by the amount therein named—vouchers for that exact sum having been presented to, and examined by, that committee, and for which, in their opinion, Lieutenant Carter was entitled to relief, and which only failed to be so expressed in the resolution by the accidental omission of a word in the hurry of its preparation. (See statement of the then chairman of the Senate Naval Committee, Cong. Globe, first sess. thirty-fifth Cong., pp. 2259 and 2260.)

Your committee therefore report the accompanying joint resolution, and recommend its passage.

